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MEDIA RELEASE

Parolee Charged with Felony Burglary, Driving While Revoked, and Resisting Arrest

In response to an uptick in burglaries to motor vehicles in the Beach Park / Unincorporated Waukegan areas, Lake County Sheriff's Detectives conducted surveillance in an effort to locate and arrest the offender(s).

During the overnight hours of July 17th into the early morning hours of July 20th, Sheriff's Detectives conducted surveillance at multiple locations. On July 18th, at approximately 3:00PM, David G. Walker, Sr., 57, of the 3700 block of Grand Avenue, Gurnee, was observed by detectives attempting to steal a skid-steer from a parking lot in the 35800 block of North Northern Avenue, Unincorporated Waukegan. Walker was unable to steal the skid-steer and left the area.

On July 20th between approximately 1:30AM and 3:00AM, Walker was seen observed committing burglaries to vehicles at the following locations:

1500 block of Wilson Avenue, Waukegan

1400 block of North Avenue, Waukegan

1300 block of North Jackson Street, Waukegan

Walker then drove to a motel in the 600 block of North Green Bay Road, Waukegan, where Sheriff's Detectives attempted to apprehend him. Walker attempted to flee and backed the vehicle he was driving (2005 Ford F150), striking the motel, in his attempt to flee.

Walker continued to resist arrest and was subsequently tased before being taken into custody. He was first transported to a local hospital after complaining of pain from being tased. He was then transported to the Lake County Jail.

The Lake County State's Attorney's Office approved the following charges for Walker:

Two counts of Burglary (Class 2 Felonies)
Three counts of Driving While License Revoked (Class 4 Felonies)
Criminal Damage to Property (Class 4 Felony)
Attempt Theft (Class A Misdemeanor)
Resisting a Peace Officer (Class A Misdemeanor)

Walker remains held in the Lake County Jail on \$75,000.00 bail. He is next due in court on August 7, 2019, at 1:30PM in courtroom T110.

All of the property stolen by Walker while under surveillance by detectives was recovered.

Walker is currently on parole for felony theft and felony driving with a revoked driver's license, however, the Illinois Department of Corrections declined to issue a parole violation warrant for Walker based on his new charges.

Sheriff John Idleburg said, "Nobody has the right to steal your valuables and we will always do everything we can to protect the community's homes, vehicles, and property. Some steps to avoid being targeted by thieves include:

Always lock your vehicle/house doors

Remove valuables from plain sight

Utilize exterior lighting

Consider an alarm/video surveillance system

Report suspicious activity by dialing 911"

All defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

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